

POLICE TO PROBE

PRESCOTT KILLING:
HOLDING WOMAN

PRESCOTT, April 25.—Despite the statement of Placido Lara to a Catholic priest that his fatal shooting was accidental and corroborative stories told by alleged eyewitnesses of the tragedy at Seligman Thursday, authorities are bringing Mrs. Virginia Perea Munoz, in whose hand the gun was said to have been discharged, to the county jail here for further investigation.

SHEEP LOCO WEED
INJURES CATTLE.

Wm. Lutley, Tombstone cattleman, who returned Monday from his ranch in the Swisshelms, reports that a growth of sheep loco weed in that section of the mountains has made its appearance with the result that cattle, which have been consuming the weed have been considerably damaged. Mr. Lutley worked hard for several days removing his cattle from the weed infested area and reports that other cattlemen in the district have been doing the same in order to save their stock. Only a few deaths as the result of eating the poisonous weed have resulted so far.

While not so poisonous as the genuine loco weed, Mr. Lutley reports that the weed known as sheep loco is almost as injurious to stock, but owing to its small growth they cannot consume as much of it. They will, however, become weaker if allowed to feed on it for any great length of time and will eventually die with the same symptoms as stock which have fed on the genuine loco weed.

CAMERON BACK

TO "FORCE ISSUE"

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 1.—United States Senator Ralph L. Cameron returned to Phoenix today for the avowed purpose of "forcing the issue on the matter of a secret indictment which I am led to believe by rumors and newspaper reports, was returned against me by the federal grand jury here almost a year ago."

As a first step in the proceedings, Senator Cameron went to the office of United States Marshal Tom Sparks and asked if there was a warrant there for him. He was informed that no warrant had ever been submitted to that office for service. The senator next went to United States Commissioner John B. Hencke and asked that bond be arranged to cover any proceedings which might be taken. Although no complaint had been brought to the attention of the federal commissioner, Senator Cameron was told the request was complied with and a bond furnished.

REPAIRS TO APACHE

TRAIL ARE UNDER WAY

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 1.—Actual work in the repairing by the state highway department on the Apache Trail from Phoenix to Globe via the Roosevelt dam was begun Saturday morning, according to an announcement made yesterday by Thomas Maddock, state engineer. The work started in the vicinity of Government Wells under the supervision of Julius Irons, Maddock said.

A second camp at Goldfield, in the vicinity of Tortilla Flats, will begin operations in a day or two under the supervision of Mr. Bone. This camp is now moving from the Miami-Superior highway and the men are engaged in locating and building their camp. As soon as the camp is located, the work will be started there.

SMALLPOX STILL

RAGING IN TUCSON

TUCSON, May 2.—More than 1,000 persons were vaccinated yesterday on the first day of the establishment of the free vaccination stations under the direction of the city and county health departments.

In the two hours during which the stations were open, from 4 to 6 o'clock, 350 persons were treated at the station at the Davis school and 550 persons were treated at the station at the armory. Vaccinations in the various physicians' offices in the city will bring the total to well above the 1,000 number, it is stated.

No decrease was noted yesterday in the progress of the epidemic, five new cases being reported.

PHOENIX-TUCSON
ROAD AGREEMENT

IS SATISFACTORY

TUCSON, May 1.—Completing the pact of cooperation in road matters which was arrived at by the Tucson and Phoenix Chambers of Commerce recently, a satisfactory meeting of the representatives of the two bodies was held yesterday at Phoenix, according to H. E. Heighon, president of the Tucson chamber, who returned from the meeting last night.

State and county road supervisors were present at the meeting, and the assurances of both chambers were exchanged that each would cooperate in the routing of the Bankhead highway through the two cities.

The ratification of the agreement at the meeting yesterday is taken as indicating the end of the difficulties which formerly existed between the two cities with regard to road matters, and is looked upon by road boosters, both here and in Phoenix, as assuring greater progress in the development of the state's highway systems.

SPEND \$1,000,000

IN INCREASING ITS

SMELTER CAPACITY

PHOENIX, May 1.—Anticipating the treating of a large volume of low grade ore which now is being uncovered at the mine at Jerome by means of steam shovels, the United Verde Copper company recently completed the work of increasing the capacity of its smelter at Clarkdale to a total cost approximately \$1,000,000, according to members of the state tax commission who returned Thursday night from an inspection trip to Yavapai county.

COURT READY TO REDUCE
BAIL OF ACCUSED WOMAN

TUCSON, April 30.—While not issuing a formal order reducing bond, Judge William H. Sawtelle in the United States district court indicated Friday morning that he would be prepared to reduce the bonds of Mrs. Hattie Luke from \$10,000 to one-half that amount any time that the cash sum is produced.

The action taken by the court was the consequence of the filing this morning by John L. Van Buskirk, counsel for Mrs. Luke, of a petition asking that the amount of cash bond be released from \$10,000 to any amount the court might see fit. It was maintained by the defense that a long period in the jail might cause the death of Mrs. Luke.

When, after several months the defense was unable to furnish the \$10,000 bond, the motion was made today for another reduction which Attorney Van Buskirk indicated would assure her release shortly.

Although bond was not furnished in the federal court today, it was indicated that there will be no trouble in arranging for the amount which the court indicated would be accepted.

Mrs. Luke has been confined in the Pima county jail awaiting trial for more than one year, during which efforts to make the large amount of her bond have been without avail. Lon R. Ratley, former postmaster of Bisbee, is at present serving a term at Leavenworth for conspiracy to rob the postoffice, in connection with which Mrs. Luke is a defendant.

CHIHUAHUA HILL IS ECENE

OF FIRE; ONE ROOM

HOUSE IS BURNED

BISBEE, May 2.—Fire of undetermined origin early this morning completely destroyed a one-room house near the San Jose house on Naco Road. The fire was discovered by a mine watchman, who at once shot seven perfect bullseyes in the atmosphere to call attention to the blaze. A fire alarm followed. Both Bisbee trucks responded but the small house was practically reduced to ashes by the time they arrived.

SHIP 6,888 BALES

OF COTTON IN APRIL

PHOENIX, April 2.—During the month of April there were 6,888 bales of cotton sent out of the Salt River valley, according to L. M. Harrison, chief of the U. S. Bureau of Crop Estimates. There now remain approximately 30,000 bales in the valley.

Tucson—\$11,000 allotted for road work in Coronado forest.

TOMBSTONE DEMOCRATS ARE
AGAINST ENDORSEMENT

With strong resolutions opposing endorsement of any candidate for office at the Tucson convention and opposing the constitutional amendments, delegates to the Douglas convention on May 9 were named here last night at a meeting held at the court house, attended by a large number of local democrats.

Following election of delegates and alternates to go to Douglas for selection of delegates to the Tucson convention, a committee composed of R. B. Krebs, J. M. Phillipowski and O. Gibson was appointed by J. E. James, local committeeman, who presided at last night's meeting, in response to a motion that resolutions be drafted expressing the sentiments of the democrats of the precinct for the guidance of the delegates.

It was the unanimous decision of the democrats present that the local delegates go fully instructed against any action which may be taken to endorse or select any candidate for office, as well as to oppose vigorously the proposed amendments to the constitution to be voted on at the primary election.

Several speeches were made all going on record along the lines as adopted in the resolutions.

Suggestions of names of those to serve on the election boards in the Tombstone precinct was left to the local committeemen before adjournment was taken.

As selected by the meeting the delegates to the Douglas convention will be Frank J. Vaughn and C. L. Girag, and alternates Robert Tummins and W. E. Clark. They will carry with them the resolutions passed unanimously by the meeting as drafted, which follow:

To the Meeting of the Democrats of the Tombstone Precinct, Gentlemen:

We, your committee appointed to draft resolutions embodying the sense of the meeting upon questions to be submitted to our delegates, would respectfully recommend:

First. That our delegates will represent us by voting for a resolution or other appropriate action which will put the Democrats of Cochise county on record as unqualifiedly opposed to the Constitutional Amendments which have been submitted to the voters of the state at the primary election.

Second. We further recommend that our delegates stand for the policy of untrammeled choice on the part of the people of the candidates for office, State, County and Precinct, in keeping with the principles of the direct primary law.

Third. As Democrats we are not opposed to conference in respect to all questions of policy, but we do not deem it to be the province of any convention under our system to select candidates for office, but believe that its functions should be confined to considering and advising concerning matter of general policy.

FEDERAL AUTHORITY
TO PROBE SPREAD OF

FAMOUS LOCO WEED

Why is the loco weed? And, particularly, why is it more loco than usual in the San Pedro valley?

These questions may be answered soon. W. W. Eggleston, of the bureau of plant industry, Washington, D. C., is scheduled to arrive in Hereford today to study the activities of the pestiferous weed and lay plans for war on it.

Eggleston will visit Hereford and surrounding country at the request of J. S. Palmerlee, of the Huachuca mountain country, who has been fighting the loco weed so long that he says he doesn't know which is the more loco, he or the weed.

DOS CABEZAS GOLD FIELD
IS PRODUCING REAL GOLD

DOUGLAS, April 29.—J. J. Langford, from the Dos Cabezas gold field, brought five sacks of high grade ore in the other day and sold them for \$594. He is quite confident that this mine will prove big. He says that people are flocking out there, and when looking it over are real excited over it. Judge Taylor was out to see it and says that the 35 foot tunnel he saw, looked as though it would produce \$100,000.

MEXICO IS ON EDGE
AS VILLA "COMES BACK"

EL PASO, Tex., May 3.—The announcement that Francisco Villa intends to run for the governorship of the state of Durango comes on the eleventh anniversary of his capture of Juarez when he was a Modernista general.

In a little more than 11 years Villa has been a hunted outlaw, general of a revolutionary army, dictator of Mexico, border raider and rancher. This governorship is the first political office he ever has sought, although he could have been president of Mexico had he so chosen.

Farm life, even if on a tract of 200,000 acres, is irksome to Villa after having spent 11 years in the saddle, with the troops most of the time.

Although he entered into solemn compact with President Obregon to "stay put," in return for which Villa was given a small kingdom, riches and peace, it remains to be seen whether the former dictator will regard the contract as a mere scrap of paper. For among the stipulations Villa agreed to was one binding himself to keep out of both state and national politics.

Villa doesn't like to be bound to anything. His breaking away from restraint, his violation of his compact, his defiance of the Obregon administration, coming at the very time when the United States was about to extend recognition to Mexico, is fraught with grave possibilities.

Villa may be induced to withdraw his candidacy; he may stay in the race and be defeated. But Mexican officials are nervous, for whether elected or defeated for office, they fear it will start Villa on another rampage.

If defeated, he will not take it kindly. He could do many things in resentment.

If elected he may want to supersede federal powers. For Villa is not content with being an underling. So there you are—the same old Villa, some old menace.

Reports from Durango are to the effect that Villa's announcement has caused a furor. There is strong support for Villa and strong opposition, too, and Mexico is not accustomed to settling its big issues by ballot. The state of Coahuila, a neighbor to Durango, is also disturbed and the fire, if not quenched, may spread, for Mexico hasn't had time yet to drop the insurrecto habit.

Has Bodyguard of 200

Villa has a bodyguard of 200 men, all former soldiers, faithful and good shots. He has many other employees on his big ranch. Raising crops and stock and marketing them may be profitable, but they are not in Villa's line. He is not a farmer or ranchman and subordinates supervise all the work. The ranch, its many tractors and other farm machinery were toys for a while, but the former dictator has grown tired of playing with them and longs for a new game—and it may be the old game, a game which kept Mexico embroiled and which all but took in the United States.

What Obregon will do is not known. Probably he doesn't know what to do. If he orders Villa to stick to his treaty, this might make an avowed enemy of him. If he sends a federal army to compel him to abide by his pledges, this means war.

A pretext would be all that Villa would need. Temporarily with the Durango ranches also is dangerous. It all depends upon the ambitions of the former general.

Villa is fifty, young enough to still be ambitious.

ARIZONA ILLITERACY
CONFERENCE PLANNED

PHOENIX, May 2.—Arizona's first literacy conference will be held in Phoenix on May 9, it was announced today by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Elsie Toles. The conference will be held in connection with the visit to Phoenix of Dr. J. J. Tigert, United States commissioner of education.

Invitations to the meeting are being sent by Miss Toles to many civic organizations, Americanization committees and to all women's clubs in the state.

HUTCHISON ANNOUNCES
FOR RE-ELECTION.

For re-election to the office which he has held for the past two years, County Recorder H. L. Hutchison today made his announcement to the voters of the county, following let up of the stress of preparing and getting started the registration for this county which started last Monday.

Mr. Hutchison who was elected two years ago by an overwhelming majority on the Democratic ticket, will make the race on the platform of efficiency in office and courtesy to the general public, a distinction he had enjoyed since his connection with the Recorder's office, dating back when he took the position of chief deputy in which capacity he served for four years.

Although the work of his office, due to increased work in connection with the registration and elections to follow, Mr. Hutchison intends to make a personal visit to each precinct in the county and meet his friends before the primaries, if possible. Due to the fact that he has been running one deputy short ever since he took office, the work of the office has of necessity kept himself and force quite busy.

As county recorder he enjoys the distinction of keeping of the best systematized set of records books of any recorder in the state, which has been done at a reduced cost.

Not only as recorder has he been serving the public for the past two years, but during the war Mr. Hutchison served as chief clerk and member of the local board which handled over 13,000 cases successfully, through his efforts, his board being among the first out of over 4,000 in the United States to close up its records and report to Washington, for which he received special commendation from the Provost Marshal General. This record, in spite of the fact that the Cochise board was one of the largest in the country.

He is no stranger to Cochise county and Arizona, having made Tombstone his home for the past thirteen years, being a native of New Mexico. Prior to his coming to Arizona he was connected with the Santa Fe Railroad system.

JUAN PISTOLA, YAQUI
CHIEF, TO BE BURIED
IN PAUPER'S GRAVE

TUCSON, May 3.—Juan Pistola, Indian chieftain, ruler of all the Yaquis in Arizona, will be buried today in a pauper's grave at the county's expense.

The deathbed of the ruler, who died early yesterday morning, was the bare ground of his hut in Barrio Anita. His tribesmen are too poor to pay the expenses of his funeral.

All of last night the Yaquis at Barrio Anita, three miles northwest of Tucson, spent in mourning ceremonies for the departed chief. Every detail of the prescribed ceremonial for the funeral services of a Yaqui ruler were carried out, with the exception of the ceremonial feast. Poverty has been the lot of the tribe for the past two years and there was nothing of which to make the feast. The rest of the ceremony, including the ceremonial dances and music, was all rendered by the entire tribe of Juan Pistola.

Juan Pistola had been in ill health for the past year. He had been at ways busy for the past two years in aiding his people to survive the hardships which they had been encountering, and his failing health was largely due to verwork. Last Saturday he became so weak that he could no longer continue his work and he remained in his hut for the three days preceding his death. His final surrender was a reluctant one, for his one thought was to continue his work for the tribe.

Strong for U. S.

Juan Pistola was born in the Yaqui pueblo in the Yaqui valley, Sonora, and came to Pima county about forty years ago. He was always a great admirer of the United States, and none of his tribesmen was ever allowed to give any trouble to the government.

Pistola's age was uncertain, he himself stating that he believed that he was about 50 years old, while others in the tribe stated he was 52. Juan Pistola was an intimate friend

of Kirke Moore of Tucson, and immediately following the chief's death a delegation of his tribesmen came to Mr. Moore for advice and comfort. The chieftain had expressed his desire to Mr. Moore several weeks ago that his successor should be Francisco Matus, one of his closest counselors. A mass meeting will be held, probably today, to elect the new chief. Juan Pistola will be buried today in a pauper's grave.

"CASEY" MINSTRELS
WILL INCLUDE MANY
UNUSUAL FEATURES

Unusual musical and comedy features will be introduced every minute during the Knights of Columbus minstrels at the Grand theater next Saturday evening. The production will be staged under the direction of Mrs. Harry Sealey.

The opening number will be a sketch, "One Fleeting Hour," the scene laid in a soldiers' home and the plot centering around the interest of a young society woman (Miss Jeanette Ash) in the home.

The second part of the show will be a rollicking act staged in the check room of a cabaret. After several musical numbers, including a "Rube" specialty, "Hortense," by Jack Huddleston and chorus, the scene will shift to the banquet room of the St. Francis hotel, where chorus girls, escorts, check girls, pickanninies and waiters will assist the end men, interlocutor and soloists in the main part of the minstrels.

Many of the very latest song hits of the east will be featured during the cabaret minstrels.

POPOVICH JURY
DISAGREES

Standing 9 to 3 for conviction the jury in the Popovich case, which has been out since last night, failed to agree and were discharged by Judge Lockwood on opening of court this morning, when they announced their inability to reach a verdict. The case against Popovich is the second to result in his release, the first case to be tried last February resulting in his acquittal of the arson charge by a jury. He was tried on the present case for attempt to defraud insurance companies by setting fire to a house owned by Mike Illich. The case against Illich was dismissed.

This morning the case against Antonio J. Cisneros, charged with a statutory offense against a little Mexican girl of six years was started, the jury having been sequestered by the noon hour. Introduction of evidence by the state was begun this afternoon and it is possible trial of the case will occupy most of tomorrow.

The crime charged against Cisneros is said to be of a particularly revolting nature, and many witnesses have been subpoenaed to testify. The defendant denies his guilt and maintains that it is the work of enemies trying to secure some of his property.

The trial of the Bennett case, which was set for the 4th, will be started as soon as the Cisneros case is finished.

ATTENDED BOARD MEETING

PHOENIX, May 3.—Miss Elsie Toles, state school superintendent, will return this morning from Flagstaff, where she attended a meeting of the board of education of the Northern Arizona State Normal school. The meeting was held yesterday.

ELIAS TO VISIT BORDER

NOGALES, May 2.—Governor Francisco Elias of the state of Sonora and a party of Sonora officials will arrive here Friday to spend Cinco de Mayo, Mexico's principal holiday, on the border, according to a telegram received from Hermosillo. The day is celebrated as a holiday here on both sides of the border.

RECOVERS FROM OPERATION

PHOENIX, May 3.—Miss Helen Benedict, assistant school superintendent, has fully recovered from a severe throat operation which she underwent several weeks ago and has again resumed her duties in the office of the state school superintendent in the capitol.

Tucson—Builds Exchange announce 10 to 20 per cent wage reduction.